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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ed H. CHI et al.

New U.S. Application

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Docket No.: 108546

For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR COMBINED BROWSING AND SEARCHING IN A  
DOCUMENT COLLECTION BASED ON INFORMATION SCENT



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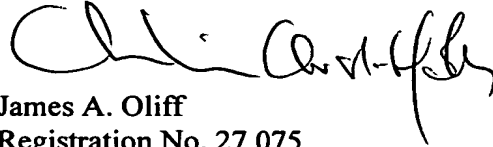
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. The Examiner's attention is directed to co-pending New U.S. Patent Application, Filed March 30, 2001, Attorney Docket No. 108547, Inventors Ed H. CHI et al., Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING USER TYPES USING MULTI-MODAL CLUSTERING AND INFORMATION SCENT, and New U.S. Patent Application, Filed March 30, 2001, Attorney Docket No. 108548, Inventors Ed H. CHI et al., Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PREDICTING USAGE OF A WEB SITE USING PROXIMAL CUES, U.S. Application No. 09/421,770, U.S. Application No. 09/425,038, U.S. Application No. 09/421,416, U.S. Application No. 09/421,767, U.S. Application No. 09/425,039, U.S. Application No. 09/421,419 and U.S. Application

No. 09/540, 063<sup>✓</sup> which are directed to related technical subject matter. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited application and the art cited therein during examination of the present application.

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